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SUBJECT: IOC/UNEP INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF SMITHSONIAN  
INSTITUTION RESEARCH SHIP "PHYCOS"

1. DESMOND SCOTT, SECRETARY OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION, HAS ADVISED PERMDEL THAT HE AND TWO OTHER EXPERTS WILL TRAVEL TO YUGOSLAVIA TO INSPECT THE SUBJECT VESSEL, POSSIBLY DURING THE WEEK JANUARY 13-17 BUT MORE LIKELY DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 20-25. HE HAS REQUESTED THE ASSISTANCE OF DR. MILLS AND CONTACTED THE YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES TO FACILITATE THE GROUP'S VISIT TO THE KORCULA SHIPYARD.

2. SCOTT VISITED THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION ON 13 DECEMBER TO DISCUSS PURCHASE OF THE VESSEL AND, ON THE BASIS OF SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATION WITH UNEP AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE IAEA LABORATORY OF MARINE RADIOACTIVITY AT MONACO, TENTATIVELY DECIDED THAT THE VESSEL WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED

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"IDEAL" FOR VARIOUS MARINE POLLUTION PROJECTS IN THE

MEDITERRANEAN THAT ARE SPONSORED BY IOC, UNEP AND FAO. SCOTT KCBLED THE SMITHSONIAN ON DECEMBER 20 (MR. RICHARD CONROY, ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE SMITHSONIAN INTERNATIONAL LIAISON SECTION), EXPRESSING INTEREST IN THE PURCHASE OF THE "PHYCOS" AND PROMISING DEFINITIVE DECISION BY FEBRUARY 10 AFTER INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING ON MEDITERRANEAN POLLUTION STUDIES (JANUARY 28-FEBRUARY 4).

3. GROUP VISITING THE VESSEL WILL COMPRISE DR. THOMAS BEASLEY (US), DIRECTOR OF THE IAEA LABORATORY OF MARINE RADIOACTIVITY, CAPTAIN JEAN ALINAT (MONACO) AND EITHER SCOTT OR CLIFFORD BUEHRENS, DIRECTOR OF RHODE ISLAND UNIVERSITY RESEARCH SHIPS.

4. PERMDEL WILL ADVISE EMBASSY UPON SCOTT'S CONFIRMATION OF DATES AND NAMES OF GROUP MEMBERS.

5. PLEASE ADVISE IF EMBASSY BELIEVES ITS ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING VISIT POSES ANY PROBLEMS WITH GOY.  
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